

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 STATE 033813

17

ORIGIN EUR-08

INFO OCT-01 SS-14 ISO-00 EA-06 NSC-05 NSCE-00 SP-02 L-01

INR-05 CIAE-00 EB-03 PRS-01 DODE-00 PM-03 /049 R

DRAFTED BY EUR/EE:WSSHEPARD/FDR

APPROVED BY EUR:JAARMITAGE

EA/VN:LPETERS

EUR/SOV:BZOOK

EUR/EE:NGANDREWS

C:WSHINN

S/S:JMEALUM

----- 028234

R 132339Z FEB 75

FM SECSTATE WASHDC

TO AMEMBASSY BUDAPEST

C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 033813

LIMDIS

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR,ETRD,HU

SUBJECT: HIGH FONOFF OFFICIAL ON DETENTE AND MFN

REF: A. BUDAPEST 231; B. BUDAPEST 242

1. WE HAVENOTED WITH INTEREST VARKONYI'S COMMENTS REGARDING
DETENTE AND MFN, AND IN PARTICULAR HIS HOPE THAT WE WILL
DO SOMETHING TO IMPROVE STATE OF BILATERAL RELATIONS. AS
APPROPRIATE OCCASION PRESENTS ITSELF, YOU MIGHT POINT OUT
TO HIM THAT IMPROVEMENT IN US-HUNGARIAN RELATIONS IS A
RECIPROCAL MATTER. WE CANNOT, AS HE PUTS IT, "CONTINUE
TREND TOWARDS NORMALIZATION AND IMPROVEMENT OF (OUR)
RELATIONS WITH HUNGARY" IN DISREGARD OF GOH COMMENTS ON OUR
POLICIES AND LEADERSHIP.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 STATE 033813

2. TWO SUCH COMMENTS HAVE COME TO OUR ATTENTION RECENTLY.

THE IMPUTATION OF BLAME ON USG FOR VIET-NAM EVENTS SIMPLY DOES NOT CORRESPOND TO THE FACTS AND IS AN INAPPROPRIATE JUDGMENT FOR A MEMBER OF THE ICCS (JAN 26 NEPSZABADSAG EDITORIAL CITED REF B). ADDITIONALLY, THE CRITICISM OF THE ACTIVITIES AND MOTIVATIONS OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE BY NAME

(VARNAI ARTICLE IN JANUARY 19 NEPSZABADSAG) SHOULD BE CITED. FYI: WE HAVE NOTICED THAT SOVIET COMMENTARY ON THE MIDDLE EAST, WHILE SUBSTANTIVELY SIMILAR, HAS BEEN FAIRLY CIRCUMSPECT IN ITS TREATMENT OF THE SECRETARY PERSONALLY. END FYI.

3. VARKONYI SHOULD BE INFORMED THAT THE PROBLEM IS ONE OF CREATING AND SUSTAINING THE APPROPRIATE POLITICAL TONE FOR AN IMPROVEMENT IN OUR RELATIONS TO BE FOSTERED. ARTICLES SUCH AS THOSE CITED DO NOT ENHANCE THE PROSPECTS FOR SUCH IMPROVEMENT. INGERSOLL

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: Z
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: DETENTE, FOREIGN RELATIONS, TRADE AGREEMENTS, FOREIGN POLICY POSITION
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 13 FEB 1975
Decaption Date: 28 MAY 2004
Decaption Note: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: CunninFX
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1975STATE033813
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: WSSHEPARD/FDR
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D750054-0284
From: STATE
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1975/newtext/t19750244/aaaabnnm.tel
Line Count: 78
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ORIGIN EUR
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: LIMDIS
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: LIMDIS
Reference: A. BUDAPEST 231; B. BUDAPEST 242
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: CunninFX
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 03 JUN 2003
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <03 JUN 2003 by ElyME>; APPROVED <14 OCT 2003 by CunninFX>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
05 JUL 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: HIGH FONOFF OFFICIAL ON DETENTE AND MFN
TAGS: PFOR, ETRD, HU
To: BUDAPEST
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 05 JUL 2006